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In re Application of Kasid et al. Application No. 10/680,313 Filed: 6 October, 2003 Attorney Docket No. 224384

: DECISION DISMISSING

: PETITION AS MOOT

This is a decision on the paper styled as a petition under 37 CFR 1.10, filed on 30 April, 2004, which is treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.10(c) requesting that the above-identified application be accorded a filing date of 6 October, 2003.

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Petitioners allege that the application was deposited in Express Mail service on 6 October, 2003. In support, on 30 April, 2004, petitioners supplied a copy of Express Mail receipt No. EV336875812US (the same Express Mail number found on the itemized transmittal sheet accompanying the original application papers located in the official file), showing a "date-in" of "10-6-03"

A review of the Office PALM records reveals that this application was previously accorded a filing date of 6 October, 2003. Therefore, the present petition is unnecessary and will be dismissed as moot.

A corrected Filing Receipt is enclosed for petitioners' records.

It is noted that petitioners submitted a petition fee of \$130.00 on 30 April, 2004. Said petition fee is unnecessary, and a review of PALM records indicates that the fee has been refunded. If the fee has not been refunded, petitioners should contact the Office of Finance, ATTN: Refund Section, to request a refund. A copy of this decision should accompany petitioners' request.

The application is being referred to Technology Center 1600 for examination in due course with the presently accorded filing date of 6 October, 2003.

Telephone inquiries specific to this matter should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3231.

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Encl: Corrected Filing Receipt